

Mass Schedule

Saturday:

4:00pm - Saints Peter & Paul 5:30pm - Saint Benedict

Sunday:

8:00am - Saints Peter & Paul 10:30am - Saints Peter & Paul

Eucharistic Adoration:

(at Saints Peter & Paul)

First Friday of every month Noon - 3:30pm Confession:

Saturday 3:00pm - 3:30pm

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Monday: 8am - 7pm

Tuesday: 8am - 4pm

Wednesday: 8am -7pm

Thursday: 8am - 4pm

Friday: 8am - Noon

Closed daily Noon - 12:30pm

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STEWARDSHIP

SUNDAY STEWARDS

Contributions for the week ending June 28, 2020

Saints Peter and Paul \$13,494

> Saint Benedict \$2,185

God has entrusted us with many gifts: Time, Talent & Treasure. We hope and pray that all members will share their gifts, and continue to share the Good News of Jesus with all people.

SAINTS PETER & PAUL LOTTERY

June 22	#303	Melissa Mahle
June 23	#383	Saints Peter and Paul
June 24	#809	Saints Peter and Paul
June 25	#329	Saints Peter and Paul
June 26	#735	Saints Peter and Paul
June 27	#040	Saints Peter and Paul
June 28	#011	Anthony Szymanski

Mass Schedule Saints Peter and Paul

Monday - Friday 7am

Monday-Wednesday- Friday 12:15pm

Saturday-4:00pm

Sunday-8:00am & 10:30 am

Saint Benedict

Saturday-5:30pm beginning July 11th

We will continue to Live Stream Mass on the parish website www.sspeterandpaulplains.com as well as on the parish facebook page.

For the safety of all our parishioners...

- 1. If you are not feeling well please stay home.
 - 2. Please practice proper social distancing.
 - 3. Everyone must wear a mask. If you do not have one, we can provide you with one.
 - 4. Sanitize appropriately.





WORSHIP

WE REMEMBER

MASSES AT SAINTS PETER & PAUL THIS WEEK

Monday	7-6	7am	
Tuesday	7-7	7am	Geraldine Rogers by Family
			Anthony Bartoletti by Mr. & Mrs. Angelo Answini
Wednesday	7-8	7am	Albert Serino by Al & Eileen Mills
			George Leibman by Pisack Family
Thursday	7-9	7am	Stanley Wilk by Family
			Josephine Loomis by Family
Friday	7-10	7am	Rosalie Prescavage (A) by Donald Bonetski
			Mary Ryan by Rita & Gerald Cross

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE SAINTS PETER & PAUL

Saturday	7-11 4pm	John Wilkas (A) by Family
Sunday	7-12 8am 10:30am	Stanley & Antoinette Evick by Mary Ann & Robert Hyzynski Living & Deceased Parishioners

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE SAINT BENEDICT

Saturday 7-11 5:30pm Louis & Debby Zuzelski (50th Wedding Anniversary)

Bulletins are not allowed to be distributed in Church.

The bulletin will continue to be on our website.

Saints Peter & Paul Parish Sanctuary Candle

Mary Vannucchi

Lady of Lourdes

Dorothy Nestorick



Holy Family Votive

Paul Binker, Sr.

WORD

MINISTRY OF THE MONTH - JULY

Each month, a Ministry of the parishes will be highlighted. You are asked to prayerfully consider each ministry, and to participate in whatever capacity that suits your availability, interest, and needs.

Prayer Shawl

The prayer shawl ministry is a group of new, and seasoned crochet, and knitting enthusiasts who use their gifts to create beautiful prayer shawls, and pocket prayer squares for those in need of a spiritual boost.

The prayer shawl ministry had been meeting every Monday at 5PM, or it may be done at your convenience from home. Weekly commitments aren't necessary.

Contact: Mary Jo Marek mjmarek75@gmail.com

WEEKLY READINGS

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday

Zec 9:9-10; Rom 8:9, 11-13; Mt 11:25-30

Monday

Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22; Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday

Hos 8:4-7, 11-13; Mt 9:32-38

Wednesday

Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12; Mt 10:1-7

Thursday

Hos 11:1-4, 8e-9; Mt 10:7-15

Friday

Hos 14:2-10; Mt 10:16-23

Saturday

Is 6:1-8; Mt 10:24-33

Faith Formation

Saturday, August 15th- 12pm First Holy Communion

Wednesday, August 19th- 5:30pm Confirmation

Sunday, August 16th- 10:30am Scholarship Mass

We will honor four recent High School Graduates with College Scholarships

The Sunday Good News

CHURCH OF SAINTS PETER & PAUL / SAINT BENEDICT

JULY 5, 2020



Dear Lord, thank you for the blessing of seeing another day. We lift up to you all who we love and care for and ask you to bless them and meet their needs. May your peace and joy fill our cups to overflowing and may your grace sustain us. Thank you for being our healer, protector, and provider and for every good thing that comes from your hands. We commit this day to you and ask you to go before us.

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In Jesus' name we

pray

Amen

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Zechariah 9:9 □ 10

This is a prophecy of the coming of the Messiah to Jerusalem. He will come, not as a King, but as a humble savior, riding on an ass.

Second Reading: Romans 8:9, 11 □ 13

Contrasting "flesh and spirit," Paul urges that all who live for material things abandon the temptations of the flesh and rise to life in the "Spirit."

Gospel: Matthew 11:25 □ 30

Jesus speaks lovingly and gently when he invites all those who are weary and burdened with life to seek relief and respite in him. He says, "Your souls will find rest, for my yoke is easy and my burden light."

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 5, 2020

"I give praise to you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for although you have hidden these things from the wise and the clever you have revealed them to the little ones...Come to me all you who labor and are burdened and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart..."

Jesus' prayer of praise, directed to the Father, is for our benefit. I want to be considered a 'little one' and grow in my knowledge and love of the Lord. He wishes to continue to reveal His goodness to me.

Surely most of us have learned to use new cell phones, iPads and computers. We learn to use new gadgets. May you take steps, especially during these summer months, to learn to be meek, humble of heart and live all the beatitudes - pure of heart, worker for justice, peacemaker and poor in spirit.

SERVICE

We are Called to Gerve...

"Do you understand what I just did for you?
You address me as 'Teacher' and 'Lord' and fittingly enough, for that is what I am. But if I washed your feet—I who am Teacher and Lord—then you must wash each other's feet. What I just did was to give an example: as I have done, so you must do."

(John 12:2-15)

Loaves and Fishes

For the month of *July* will be collecting canned soups and tuna

Food Pantry

Anyone in the Plains, Miners Mills, and Parsons area in need of food can contact Pauline at 570-592-6798 to register. Food is distributed to the community on the third Friday of every month. *Non perishable* food donations are always accepted. Please place them in the basket in the vestibule of the Church.

Treasures

Treasures is now open! Hours are Monday evenings 6-8pm, and Fridays 10am-12pm. We are now accepting Spring/Summer clothing. Treasures strives to maintain current style trends and clean quality clothing. Thank you for your continued support. God bless.

Prayer Shawls

can be given to anyone for many reasons! Comfort, illness, occasions, friendship & joy. If there is anyone that would like to receive a shawl or request one for someone, please contact the Parish Office at 570-825-6663 or call Mary Jo at 570-825-6969.

Saints Peter & Paul and Saint Benedict Ministries

Pauline Makowski, Food Pantry
Janet Soller, Quilting
Mary Jo Marek, Prayer Shawl
Laura Rudloff, Treasures
Irene Martin, Women's Society of Saints Peter & Paul
Barbara Zirnhelt, Council of Catholic Women
Kathy Grinaway, Hospitality
Donna Mansfield, Hospitality

The office will be closed on Monday, July 6th.

The Mass book for 2021 will open on Tuesday, July 7th.

Office hours are:

Monday 8am-4pm

Tuesday 8am-4pm

Wednesday 8am-2pm

Thursday 8am-4pm

Friday 8am-12pm

Mass will resume at Saint Benedict on Saturday, July 11th, at 5:30pm.

Summer Lottery Tickets

Awards will begin July 1st-September 30th

Prizes are \$25 Mon. through Sat., \$100 on Sun.

\$300 on Special Days

Fourth of July-July4

Labor Day- September 7

Cost \$10

Winners match the PA Lottery Pick 3 Evening Drawing

Tickets will be sold in the Parish Office during business hours.

Free!!! Motorized Jazzy Wheelchair

350 lbs. weight capacity

Like new!

Contact Mary Ann at Parish Office.

(570) 825-6663

The Women's Society is sponsoring a bus trip to Sight and Sound in Lancaster to see "Queen Esther" on Thursday, August 27th. The cost of \$125 for adults and \$60 for children includes Martz bus, grand smorgasbord lunch at Hershey Farm Restaurant, ticket for 3:00 PM show and bus driver gratuity. There will be time for shopping at the Hershey Farm Boutiques. Reservations may be made by calling Irene Martin at 570-825-4464. Payment is required by July 20th. In case of cancellation of the show, all money will be refunded.

SERVICE

JULY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
5	6 Office Closed	7 Mass book for 2021 opens 8am Blood Drive 1-6pm in Bernardine Hall	8	9	10	11 5:30 Mass resumes at St. Benedict
12	13	14	15	16 Food Pantry Prep	17 Food Pantry	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	1



Year of Saint Joseph This year marks the 150th Anniversary of Pope Pius IX's decree naming Saint Joseph, husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary and foster-father of Jesus, as the Patron of the Universal Church. In commemoration of this anniversary and recognizing the fitting time for the Church to invoke the intercession of this guardian, His Excellency, Bishop Joseph C. Bambera has declared this year as a "Year of Saint Joseph" to be observed in the Diocese of Scranton from March 19, 2020 to March 19, 2021. Bishop Bambera states, "Just as Saint Joseph watched over and protected the Lord Jesus while he was on earth, we need Saint Joseph to watch over and provide for the Church today. His intercession on behalf of the Universal Church is vital as the world faces so much upheaval and pain, and particularly as it confronts the uncertainty and pain of the coronavirus epidemic."

COMMUNITY

Blood Drive- Tuesday, July 7th, 1-6pm in Bernardine Hall.

Mass in Remembrance of Victims of Violent or Tragic Death The Diocese of Scranton is offering the annual Mass in remembrance of victims of violent or tragic death. This Mass is offered for the families and friends of those who have died in tragedy, especially through murder, suicide, and accident. This year we keep in our hearts those who lost their struggle with COVID-19. The Mass is scheduled for Thursday, July 16, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. in Saint Peter's Cathedral, 315 Wyoming, Scranton. All persons who have lost a loved one through tragic and traumatic death are invited to this liturgy. Seating is limited to 70 people. Please call the Office for Parish Life 570-207-2213 ext 1102 to reserve a seat. The mass will be televised on CTV. We ask that the names of deceased loved ones are registered on registration forms which are available in the parish office or on the Diocese of Scranton's website, www.dioceseofscranton.org. All forms must be received by July 13, 2020.

National NFP Awareness Week– July 19-July 25, 2020. Natural Family Planning Awareness Week is an ideal time to focus attention on Natural Family Planning methods and Church teachings which support their use in marriage. To learn more about a wealth of resources relating to NFP, and ways to celebrate NFP week, please contact Jennifer Housel, 570-207-2213, jhousel@dioceseofscranton.org.

Sacred Heart Polish Picnic in Dupont, 215 Lackawanna Ave., July 31 and August 1 from 2-8pm. This year's picnic will be a take out event. We will offer our delicious homemade Polish foods, some games of chance and theme baskets. Food order forms listing the foods that will be available, can be found on the Parish website at www.sacredheartdupont.com. Please complete your order form and return with payment to the Parish office by Monday, July, 20.

The Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser sponsored by Breathe Deep NEPA/LUNGevity has been postponed due to Covid-19. It has been rescheduled for Sunday, September 27, 12-4pm. Previously purchased tickets will be honored, and tickets will be sold in the back of the Church before and after Mass in September. There will be raffles available also.

SAINTS PETER & PAUL AND SAINT BENEDICT STAFF

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Jay Garcia –Organist
Jill Fiedorczyk –Organist
Steve Chronowski –Organist
Tom Zurla –Organist

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Kathy Grinaway, Chairperson

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Barbara Gubbiotti
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Jack Keeley
Joanne Brague
Lou Zuzelski
Steven McGough

<u>Saints Peter & Paul Finance Committee</u>

Don Prescavage, Chairman
Ben Berrini, Vice Chairman
Charlotte Dominick, Secretary
Gerald Cross, Capital Budget Chairman
Tony Dente, Online Giving Coordinator
Tracy Schooley, Human Resources

Saint Benedict Finance Committee

Steve Yenchak, Chairman Ed Yencha Jodi Gunari

Saints Peter & Paul Mission Statement

As members of Saints Peter and Paul, we have as our mission the sharing of our faith and our talents.

We proclaim the Word of God through compassion for our community and sharing of our treasures as Disciples of Christ.

Saint Benedict Mission Statement

Building a Catholic Community where all are welcome, respected, needed & appreciated; where we incorporate and share the word of God in our daily lives and the lives of others.

Every donation counts !!!

If you have not yet pledged, please....

Help us reach our Annual Appeal Parish Goal!

Saints Peter & Paul is at 26.37%

We are grateful to the 275 parishioners who supported the 2019 Annual Appeal to date. If you have not yet given your support, please:

- Call the Development Office at 570-207-2250 to make a pledge or give a gift by credit card
- Mail a check to the Diocesan Appeal Office at 300 Wyoming Ave., Scranton, Pa 18503 or
- Give online at www.DioceseofScranton.org

Every donation counts !!!

If you have not yet pledged, please....

Help us reach our Annual Appeal Parish Goal!

Saint Benedict is at 23.45%

We are grateful to the 91 parishioners who supported the 2019 Annual Appeal to date. If you have not yet given your support, please:

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The classes the Diocese offers are very beneficial, especially to young couples, to allow us to prepare for the hurdles and hardships that come with marriage

but also the joys.

Joseph Petro



Joseph and Kimberly Petro with their pastor, Father Richard Fox, St. Patrick Parish, Scranton.

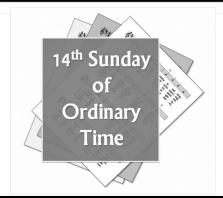
From Youth retreats to Pre-Cana Marriage Preparation, Men's and Women's Convocations to Catechesis Camp and Lay Ministry certifications, the actual cost to participants for programs offered by the Office for Parish Life is offset with funds from the Annual Appeal. For a complete list of offerings visit DioceseofScranton. org/parish-life.





Help provide opportunities for our faithful to grow as Disciples of Christ...Give to the Annual Appeal

Annual Appeal.org



Notice Regarding Reporting Sexual Abuse of a Minor

It is the policy of the Diocese of Scranton to report any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor to law enforcement. If you are a victim of sexual abuse committed by a priest, deacon, religious or lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton, you are encouraged to immediately report the matter to law enforcement. If any priest, deacon, religious, lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton has cause or reason to suspect that a minor has been subjected to any form of abuse, including child sexual abuse, the matter will be reported to law enforcement. It is also the policy of the Diocese to adhere to all civil and state regulations. In accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Child Protective Laws, reports of suspected child abuse should also be made immediately by phone to the 24 hour Child Abuse hotline (Childline) at 1-800-932-0313 or electronically at www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis. To this end, the Diocese is equally committed to adhering to the norms of the Code of Canon Law and to upholding the tenets of the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, which includes supporting victims of sexual abuse in their pursuit of emotional and spiritual well being. As such, information regarding an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor should also be reported to the Victim Assistance Coordinator, Mary Beth Pacuska at 570-862-7551

VISION 2020

Seeing a Future Full of Hope

SHAPING A BLUEPRINT FOR THE FUTURE OF THE DIOCESE

In Today's homily for the Second Sunday of Advent, Bishop Bambera explained to us that it is time for the whole Church of Scranton to take a good look at the life of our parishes and to project a future vision in response to God's call today.

Your Pastors have taken first steps in this conversation in recent deanery meetings, and now it is essential to broaden this conversation to include all of the faithful. Bishop Bambera Pointed out to us the reality of change in our world and in our local communities, and so we know that we will continue to face and respond to change within the church. "I'm inviting all of the faithful," he said, "to simply focus on how we best engage the mission of the gospel in these changing times." Some of these changes include shifting demographics, differing attitudes about formal church participation, and diminishment in numbers of ordained priests available to serve as full-time pastors.

In the coming year, then, Bishop Bambera is asking us to continue working together to fashion a "blueprint" if you will— a pathway for our ocal Church, tailored to each deanery and to each parish—for how we will meet both the challenges and opportunities we will face in the next ten year period.

In his Homily he stressed that, "while every parish is similar in what is being asked to do and to be, each parish will respond to this process in ways that are unique to its situation and circumstances.

PLANNING GUIDANCE FOR EACH DEANERY

Guiding the overall process are these planning assumptions as common elements across the Diocese:

- The benchmarks for vibrant parishes are in accord with the vision expressed in Bishop Bambera's Pastoral letter, especially pages 7-13
- In every local circumstances, efforts are made to best utilize the particular ministry gifts of the clergy and, at the same time, to mobilize the gifts of all the baptized.
- Each deanery blueprint implementation is unique, and may consider such questions as: number of worship sites, Mass schedules and wise investment of resources.
- No deanery is planning in isolation—the circumstances in one may occasion change in another.
- Parish pastoral plans are respected and help to inform deanery level plans.
- Recommendations from deaneries or parishes are brought to Diocesan review.
- Parishes in linked relationship, sharing a Pastor, will be given additional planning support to evaluate and craft the best path forward.
- Every parish calls forth those individuals whose capacity for pastoral leadership could be developed through vocational discernment for priesthood, religious life, lay ministry or permanent diaconate.

We are located in the Wilkes-Barre Deanery, which consists of the following parishes:

Sts. Peter & Paul (Plains), St. Benedict (Wilkes-Barre), Our Lady of Fatima at St. Mary's (Wilkes-Barre), St. Nicholas (Wilkes-Barre), Our Lady of Hope at St. Mary's (Wilkes-Barre), St. Andrew at St. Patrick's (Wilkes-Barre), St. Andre Bessette (Wilkes-Barre), St. Robert Bellarmine at St. Aloysius (Wilkes-Barre), Exaltation of the Holy Cross (Hanover), St. Leo/Holy Rosary (Ashley), Holy Family (Sugar Notch), St. Elizabeth Ann Seton (Swoyersville), Our Lady Help of Christians - St. Mary's (Dorrance), St. Jude (Mountaintop)